## MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

**Description of proposal:** BUSHWHACKER Timber Sale #30-075025, and associated Forest Practice #2511815, is a 73-acre regeneration harvest of two units. There are 1,513 feet of required construction and 5,333 feet of pre-haul maintenance.

**Description of mitigation**: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Analyzing, designing, and constructing a road system that minimizes effects on the environment.
- Retaining a total of 590 trees clumped within the sale area.

In order to reduce potential impacts to adjacent landowners, several mitigation measures will be incorporated into this proposal and included in the timber sale contract.

- The Purchaser will be required to provide a written Extreme Hazard Abatement plan that meets the requirements of WAC 332-24 prior to the beginning of logging operations. The plan must be acceptable to the Contract Administrator.
- The Purchaser will be required to construct a fire trail a minimum of four feet wide along the south and east boundaries of Unit #1 and Unit #2 as directed by the Contract Administrator.
- The Purchaser will be required to abate dust on portions of the G-100 Road during the hauling of forest products.
- The Purchaser will be required to repair all fence damage resulting from harvest operations for this sale to equal or better condition than existed at the time of sale.
- In order to reduce noise and transportation that may impact adjacent landowners, harvest operations will not be permitted on weekends, State recognized holidays, or from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. on weekdays.
- In order to reduce the potential of leave trees blowing down or falling over from Unit #2 onto adjacent residences and the location of proposed landing locations, leave trees will not be left in Unit #2. The number of leave trees required to be left in Unit #2 will be left in Unit #1.

**Proponent:** Washington Department of Natural Resources

**Location of proposal, including street address, if any**: Parts of Section 11, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, W.M. approximately three miles from Rainier, WA, located along the G-100 Road.

## Lead agency:

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

- [] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.
- [X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from <u>January 15, 2004</u>. Comments must be submitted by <u>January 29, 2004</u>.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.